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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Katefidis, et al.

CASE: OST-061078

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FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DRYING
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**RESPONSE TO
NOTICE OF
MISSING
REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 U.S.C.
371**

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Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, mailed October 20, 2006, a copy of which is attached.

The Notice indicated that the executed Declaration was missing. In response, Applicant submits herewith the fully executed Declaration with a Power of Attorney included therein, along with a certified copy of the English language translation of the application.

Furthermore, Applicant submits herewith a fully executed Assignment, Recordation Form Cover Sheet, and the Assignment fee. Accordingly, a check in the amount of \$300.00 is included herewith to cover the late Declaration surcharge (\$130.00), late English translation surcharge (\$130.00), and the filing fee for the assignment document (\$40.00).

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Applicant believes that no additional fees are required with this communication; however, if any additional charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-0545.

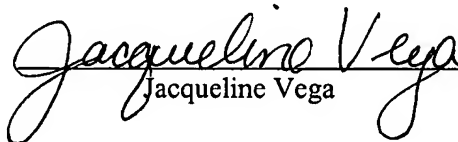
Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Patent Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 20, 2006.


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/21/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 04/21/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/21/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/21/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 04/21/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/21/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 04/21/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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